

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD WORK SESSION
FEBRUARY 12, 2008**

This meeting was called to order by Carol A. Raph, Municipal Clerk. It was properly advertised according to Public Law 75, Chapter 231.

The flag salute was led by Mayor Vincent Mazzeo. Following the flag salute, there was a moment of silence to recognize the men and women serving our Country at home and abroad.

ROLL CALL

Present: Carew, Kern, Notaro, O'Grady, Vain, Zlotnick, Martinez

Following the agenda review, Council President Martinez called upon Jim Leeds, President of Little League whom resides at 35 Northfield Plaza. Mr. Leeds updated Council on Northfield Little League International. Under the direction of Dan Kern the Northfield Little League Baseball was chartered in 1982. In 2007 the Girl's Softball was incorporated. A board of directors was set up in 2007. One of their main goals is the safety of the children. Coaches are required to fill out an application and background checks were implemented. They are working with All Sports to try to establish an open relationship. He requested a Council liaison to work with Little League and All Sports on various issues and concerns. Councilwoman Zoltnick questioned if they are under Northfield All-Sports and Mr. Leeds reply was yes, however, Little League International requires they have their own board, tax ID number, by-laws and applications. Safety issues will be addressed during the budget sessions according to Councilman Vain. Mayor Mazzeo expressed appreciation in the fact that Mr. Lees came before the Governing Body to introduce himself and informed him that Councilman Vain will be their Liaison.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

President Martinez recognized City Engineer Matt Doran to address Council. Doran suggested that the Council consider ADA compliant truncated domes at all bike path/street intersections along the bike path. This is a new way of letting a sight impaired individual aware of approaching an intersection. This application is due on March 7, 2008 to the Atlantic County Improvement Authority. Vain questioned if an handicapped individual can gain access to the bike path without having problems.

Doran suggested adding parking that is ADA compliant with proper slopes to the bike path as a part of the grant. Council had no objection to going forth with the grant application.

Mayor Mazzeo questioned the status of curb cut completion within the City. Doran stated that the City has fulfilled the ADA obligation of nine years ago, however the County and State roads are not complete.

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Doran explained 'The Safe Streets to School Program' will carry forth from the 2007 program and will be updated to include Cedarbridge sidewalk and pre manufactured speed humps around the school. The award received from the State recently includes sidewalks from the bike path to Juniper Drive. The new 2008 application to DOT will include Route 9 to Oak Avenue. The February 12, 2008 engineer's report is on file in the City Clerk's office.

Vain requested an update on the inappropriate work performed at Burton Avenue Estates. Solicitor Scheffler suggested that the bonds be pulled. He will review them shortly, to determine what action will be taken.

President Martinez opened this meeting to the public to discuss any items that were covered at this session. Seeing no one wishing to speak from the public, the work session portion of the meeting was closed.

Council President Martinez called for a brief recess before reconvening for the Regular Session of Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Raph, RMC/CMC